



IFW 2836

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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WOLFRAM KLUGE

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PROTECTION NETWORK  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 10, 2006**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2006 for which the shortened three-month statutory response date is Monday, June 12, 2006 (since June 10, 2006 falls on a Saturday). Since this response is being filed on Monday, June 12, 2006, it is timely filed.

In light of the Amended Appeal Brief filed on December 14, 2005, the Examiner has reopened prosecution. Accordingly, Applicants hereby elect to file this Reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 to the Office Action mailed on March 10, 2006.

If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

No fee is believed to be due as a result of this response. However, should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2000.065900.